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For: Shingle With Sharply Defined Tabs Separated by Slots and Method of Making

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Examiner: John Frederick Parker

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DECLARATION OF ROBERT L. JENKINS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §132

1. I, Robert L. Jenkins am one of the inventors of the invention referenced in this application. I am familiar with the manufacture of roofing products, including roll roofing, tiles and shingles in general, having spent over 25 years in the industry. My academic credentials include a college degree from Shippensburg State University. I have been an inventor on a number of patents. I am currently Principal Product Development Engineer, Exterior Products Group of CertainTeed Corporation, the assignee of the present application. I have no financial interest in the grant of any patent issuing on this application, notwithstanding my being an employee of CertainTeed Corporation, the Assignee of the invention in this case.

2. I have quality control and production experience with roofing products, as well as liaison experience with research and development, marketing, new product development and manufacturing regarding plant trial evaluations, product applications and raw materials. I have received various excellence awards for my work in improving roofing products, including shingles. I am very familiar with shingles made in accordance with this invention.

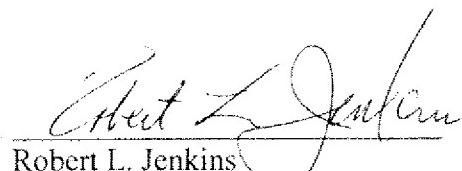
3. In addition to working on the development of shingles made in accordance with this invention, I cooperated with and am knowledgeable about CertainTeed's marketing department activities, as these shingles approached their commercial release and initial sales to the industry.

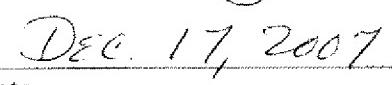
4. The commercial release of information to the public about these shingles occurred on or about Memorial Day, 2004; specifically, on or about May 28, 2004. The actual first sales followed that and occurred on or about mid-June 2004.

5. I have been active in shingle design and manufacture for over 25 years. I am familiar with the Declaration of Richard Allan Snyder of August 17, 2007 in this case and with the commercial success of various shingles of CertainTeed over the years, specifically including that of the shingle of this invention and that of the comparison shingle also having commercial success which is referenced in paragraph 20 of the Snyder Declaration in this case.

The factors of promotion, advertising and marketing that took place for the shingle of this invention from prior to its commercial release and thereafter were essentially the same as those factors for the comparison commercially successful shingle of CertainTeed to which the shingle of this invention is compared in paragraph 20 of the Snyder Declaration.

6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.



Robert L. Jenkins


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